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Serial No.: 10/655,350 : Examiner: Stouffer, Kelly M.
Filed: September 5, 2003 : Confirmation No.: 7026
For **REPLACEABLE PLATE EXPANDED THERMAL PLASMA APPARATUS
AND METHOD**

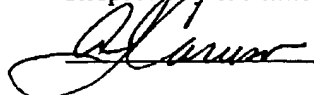
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Sir:

On March 5, 2007 the Office mailed a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment requiring that the Abstract be presented on a separate sheet. As required, the Applicants submit herewith a new **AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT OF THE SPECIFICATION** which presents the Abstract on a separate sheet as required by 37 CFR 1.72. Consistent with 37 CFR 1.121, only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment is provided herewith.

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